



California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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TO: Interested Parties

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**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF INFORMATION ITEM ON THE STATUS OF THE
CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR DISCHARGES FROM IRRIGATED LANDS**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) notices an Information Item on the status of the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands at its Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2006, 9:00 A.M., at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Board Room). No formal regulatory action on this Information Item will be taken at the meeting on November 9, 2006.

The Regional Board meeting is scheduled for:

**Thursday, November 9, 2006
9:00 a.m.
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
(Board Room)
700 North Alameda Street
Los Angeles, California**

During the Information Item, interested parties and stakeholders will have opportunity to comment on the status of the Conditional Waiver. Oral presentations should be summarized in writing to the extent possible. Time limitations on presentations may be imposed.

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Background on the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) adopted a Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands (Order No. R4-2005-0080) on November 3, 2005. The objectives of the program are to monitor the water quality effects, and, if required, mitigate those impacts from runoff from irrigated agriculture facilities in the coastal watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. The intent of the Conditional Waiver program is to attain water quality objectives in receiving waters by regulating the discharges from irrigated lands within the Los Angeles Region.

As directed by the Conditional Waiver, irrigated lands dischargers are required to comply with the conditions of this Conditional Waiver by submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI) to comply with the waiver or by participating in a discharger group that submits a NOI to comply with the waiver, by performing individual or group monitoring, by submitting annual monitoring reports, and by developing and implementing a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) if necessary, to reduce pollutant loading to surface waters.

Regional Board staff is required to report to the Regional Board on an annual basis regarding the status of the Conditional Waiver. This information item was prepared to fulfill the requirement.